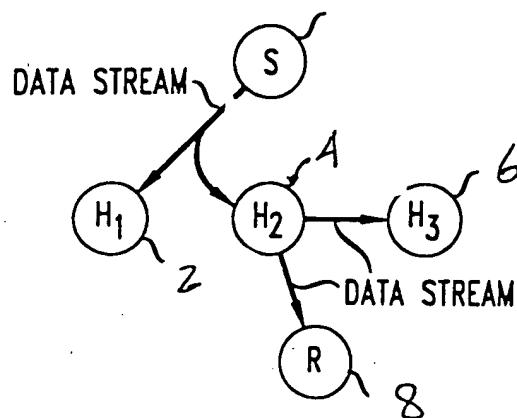


FIG. 1



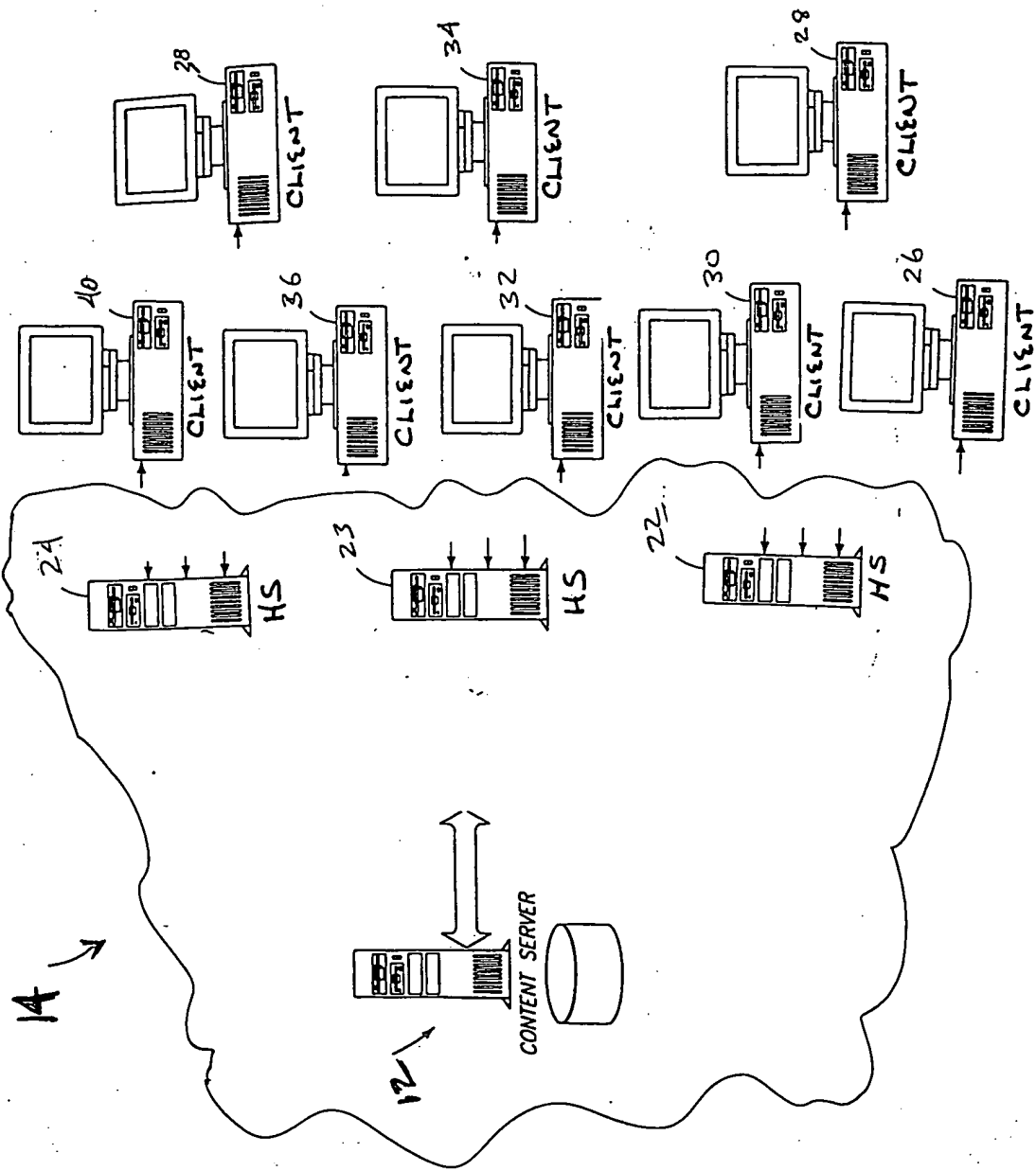
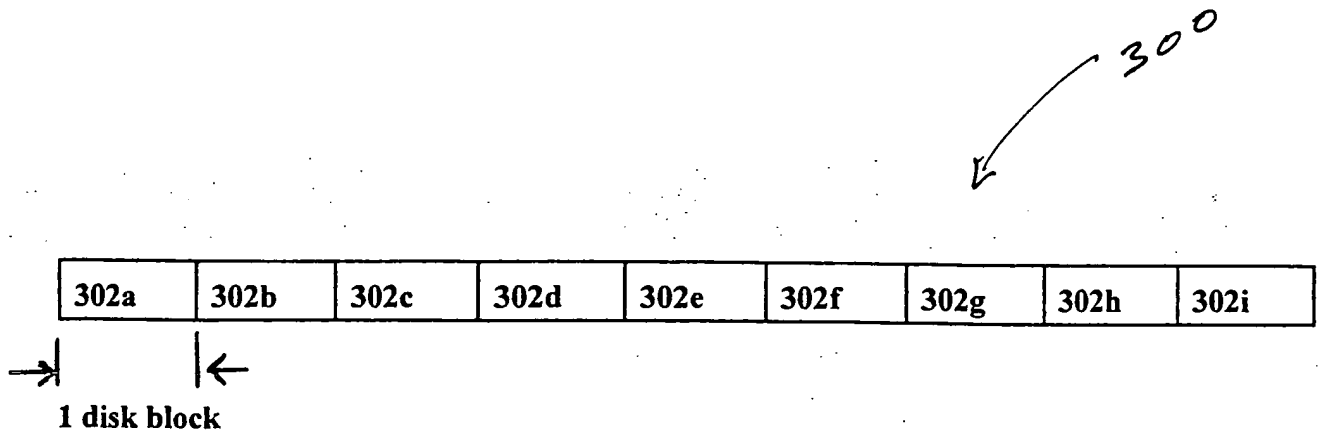
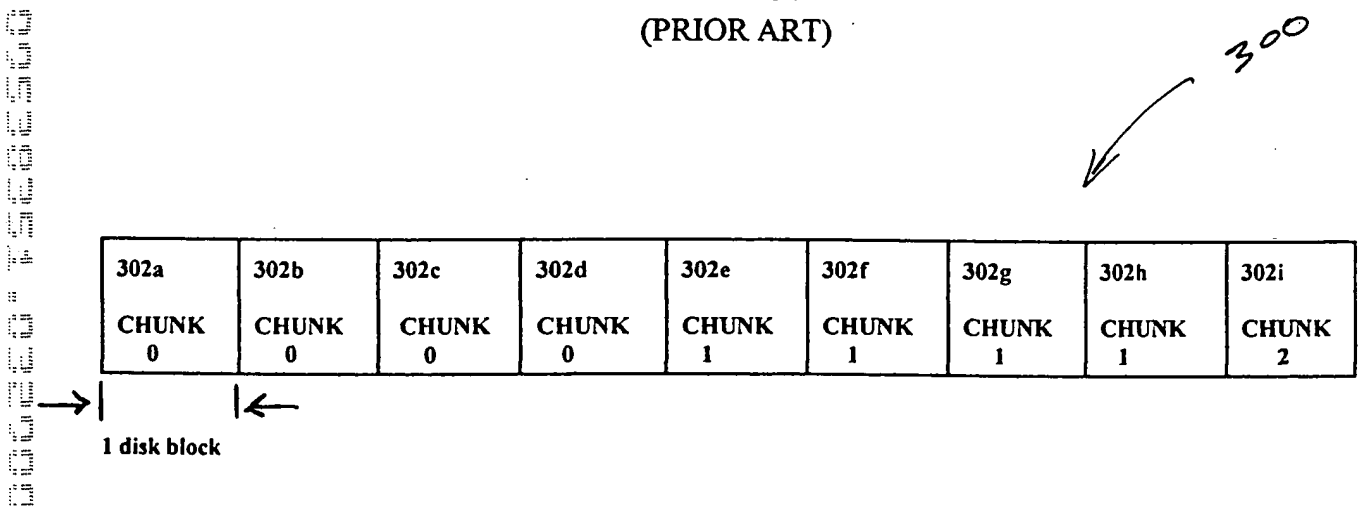


FIG. 2



Cache Server Storage

FIG. 3a
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Cache Server Storage

FIG. 3b

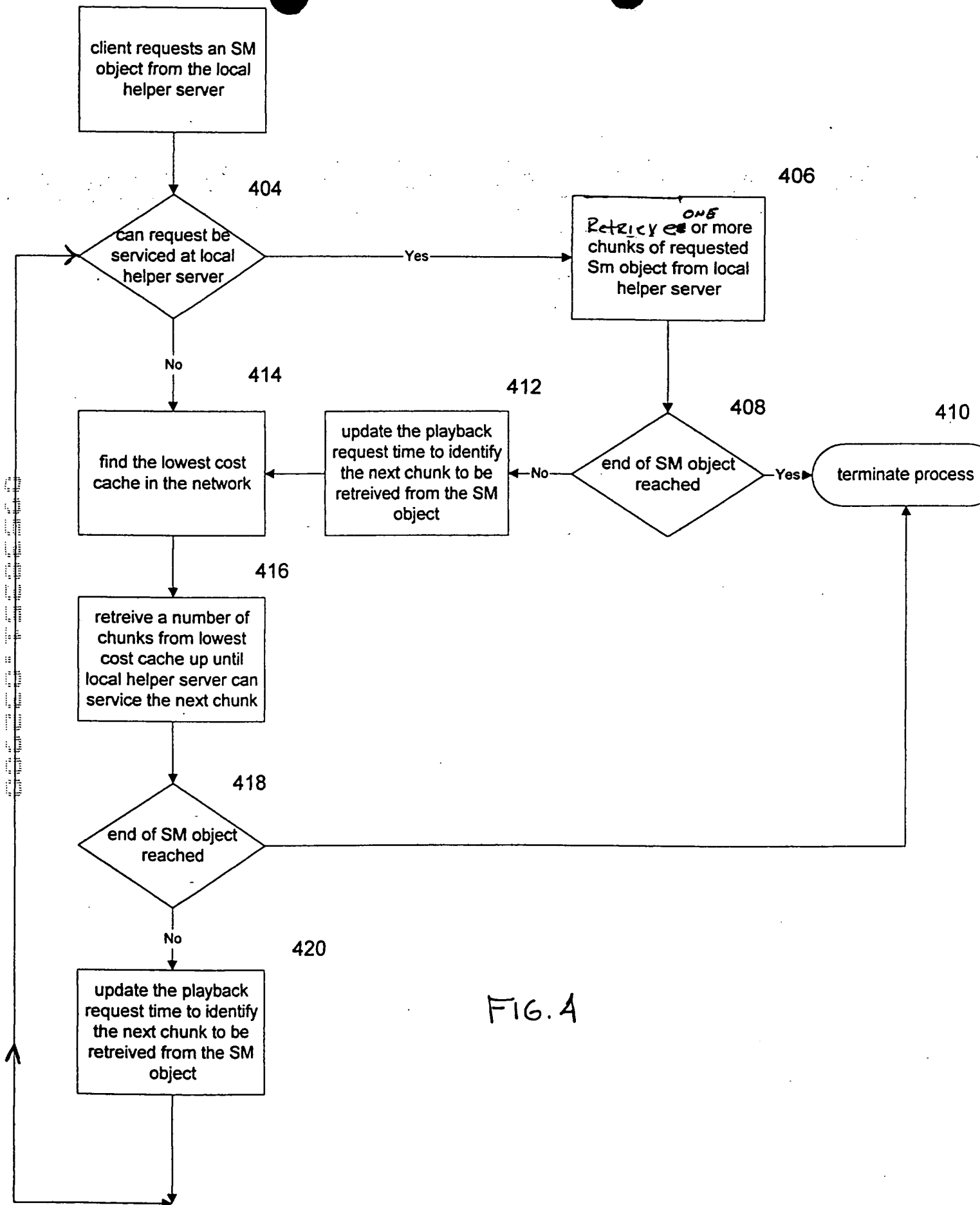
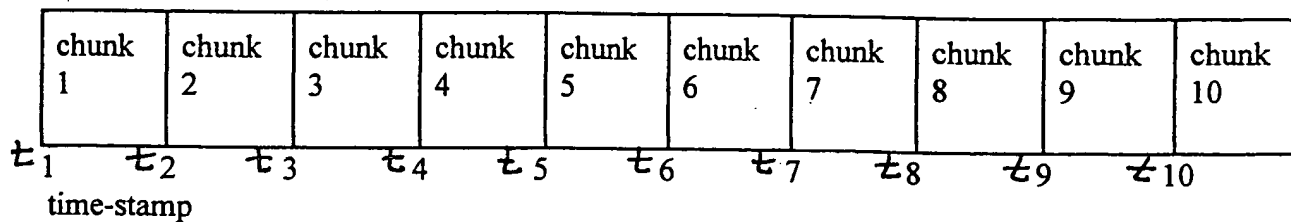


FIG. 4



Streaming media (SM) object

FIG. 5a.

| local server cache 22 | remote cache 23 | remote cache 24 | content server 14 |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 | 1, 2, 5, 6 | 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 |

cache storage table

FIG. 5b.